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In re Patent Application of:  
Mignard Francois

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For: PROCESS FOR THE CONTROLLED  
OXIDATION OF A STRIP BEFORE  
CONTINUOUS GALVANIZING, AND  
GALVANIZING LINE

Examiner: Zheng, Lois L.

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION (§ 1.116)

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2008, finally rejecting claims 4-6,  
please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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